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Sirs:

I am writing to express my strong disagreement with the proposed Microsoft anti-trust settlement.

I am a computer systems specialist with almost 30 years in the field. I have work with virtually every major system including Microsoft's.

While there are many points I disagree with, the most glaring is the proposed oversight group. This proposed group would have no binding powers, legal or otherwise, over any of Microsoft's actions. It seems unthinkable to me that anyone would believe that this oversight group is an appropriate remedy. Microsoft will not heed the groups recommendations, Microsoft does not heed the mandates of congress! I see this proposed remedy as vacuous and no remedy at all.

While Microsoft damaging the computer industry is one thing, I worry that Microsoft will enter into other industries and continue its strong handed tactics. I fear a financial industry dominated by Microsoft.

Regards,

John Harris